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- Small villages along the Turkish-Bulgarian border, such as Rezlovo (N4200 F2759), are under the jurisdiction of the Border Guards. There are no Militia units in these villages.
- 2. In an attempt to conceal the number of persons in the Bulgarian armed forces and thereby evade the clauses of the Peace Treaty of 10 February 1947, the Border Guards have been made a legal part of the Department of the Interior. Actually, however, Border Guards are subordinate to the Army and now appear to openly receive their orders from the Army. 1, 2

50X1-HUM 1. Comment: In the immediate border area, where the Border Guards have police power and security jurisdiction, all intelligence activities are believed to be under the control of the Bulgarian Army RO (Razuznavatelan Otdel; Investigation Section).

a very close working arrangement has been noted between the Border Guards and the nearest Ministry of Interior forces, f_50X1-HUM

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